

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<b>Application No.</b>	10/692,444	<b>Group Art Unit:</b>	2137
<b>Applicant(s):</b>	Justin Madison, et al.	<b>Examiner:</b>	Matthew D. Smithers
<b>Filing Date:</b>	October 22, 2003	<b>Docket No.</b>	085804-013410
<b>Title:</b>	<b>SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING ACCESS TO DIGITAL CONTENT, INCLUDING STREAMING MEDIA</b>		
	<b>Customer No.</b>	76058	

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**COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowability dated October 29, 2007 in the above-identified application, and in accordance with MPEP § 1302.14, the applicants respectfully submit the following comments:

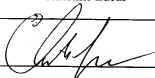
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The Examiner quotes claim 6, and states that “each of the independent claims recite the uniquely distinct features” of the quoted claim 6 language. The applicants wish to point out that the other claims, particularly independent claims 29 and 41, each define a separate aspect of the invention and are to be read and considered each on its own merits. It is respectfully submitted that each claim defines a patentable invention whether or not it includes the particular language quoted by the Examiner.


To the extent that the Examiner’s statement could be construed in any way to limit the scope of any of the allowed claims, the applicants respectfully disagree with that statement.

The Issue Fee is paid herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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